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For: DNA FRAGMENT, METHOD FOR PRODUCING
TRANSFORMANT FOR PROTEIN PRODUCTION
AND UTILIZATION THEREOF (as amended)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application. Prior to examination of the present application, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Title begin on page 2 of this Preliminary Amendment.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this Preliminary Amendment.